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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 6, 2009**. Grain and soybean crop harvest is progressing in several parts of the state. Producers are preparing fields for the planting of cool season forages. Soil moisture was rated 5 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 70 percent adequate.

Crop progress for week ending 09/06/09

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, mature	97	96	96	98
Corn, harvested	65	44	40	70
Corn Silage, harvested	98	95	91	98
Cotton, open bolls	41	22	37	66
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	88	86	86	87
Rice, headed	100	98	97	99
Rice, mature	61	42	62	72
Rice, harvested	18	3	7	21
Sorghum, coloring	100	98	96	99
Sorghum, mature	95	72	72	93
Sorghum, harvested	15	4	26	65
Soybeans, setting pods	100	100	100	100
Soybeans, turning color	58	47	66	84
Soybeans, dropping leaves	38	22	38	67
Soybeans, harvested	14	4	9	41
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	12	2	2	12

Crop condition for week ending 09/06/09

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	5	15	33	45	2
Cotton	1	5	27	54	13
Hay	0	4	21	54	21
Livestock	1	4	25	61	9
Pasture	2	10	28	48	12
Peanuts	0	0	26	53	21
Rice	0	1	28	46	25
Sorghum	1	2	48	42	7
Soybeans	2	8	25	47	18
Sweet Potatoes	0	0	30	70	0

Comments

“There are still some beans that are being irrigated.”

— Laura Giaccaglia, Bolivar

“Corn harvest continues to rapidly move toward completion. In general, yields are about average. Soybean harvest is off to a good start with early dryland yields and quality being below expectation. Limited rice acreage has been harvested.”

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“Crops are maturing and harvest is getting along well in corn and soybeans. Cotton is maturing, but it looks like a late harvest.”

— Tommy Baird, Sunflower

“Both corn and soybeans are showing a lot of weather related damage and yield loss. Cotton continues to make good progress.”

— Ernest Flint, Attala

“Hay season is winding down as forage growth slows due to the shortening of day length and cooler fall temperatures. Winter forage producers have begun planting and should be watching for armyworms in newly emerged forages.”

— Houston Therrell, Rankin

“Corn and hay are being harvested and yields are good. Fields are being prepared to plant cool season forages. Cattle are in good body condition and adequate forages do exist.”

— Allen McReynolds, Wayne

“Harvest is moving along nicely. Yields continue to be good.”

— Don Respass, Coahoma

“Harvest season is wide open in all of the grain crops this week. Some yields have shown promise for a good year, some have been disappointing. The early spring wet spell really hurt crops that were planted flat.”

— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

“Producers are preparing to start harvesting crops.”

— Melvin Oatis, Benton

“Armyworms continue in forages and some yards. Producers are ready to start harvest of beans and corn.”

— Stephen R. Winters, Grenada

“Rains over the weekend sure helped forage conditions. Additional rain is needed.”

— Amanda Walker, Lawrence

“Corn harvest is almost complete. Cotton is looking good. We are still real short of soil moisture for pasture and hay growth.”

— Chuck Grantham, Forrest

(Additional comments appear at: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ms/cwyears.htm>)

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending 09/06/09													
Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Avg Plan Evap
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Avg	
Upper Delta													
Cleveland	91	58	74	79	-5	0.01	-0.66	1	0.42				
Clarksdale	89	57	73	78	-5	0.00	-0.64	0	0.66				
Tunica 2N	88	56	73	77	-4	0.00	-0.59	0	0.60				
Extreme/Average	91	56	73	78	-5	0.00	-0.66	0	0.56				
North-Central													
Batesville 2SW	90	55	72	76	-4	0.00	-0.70	0	1.20				
Calhoun City	86	58	72	77	-5	0.03	-0.75	1	2.49				
Hickory Flat	88	53	70	75	-5	0.10	-0.80	1	2.29				
Holly Springs 4N	88	49	69	75	-6	0.00	-0.83	0	0.53				
Independence	83	53	69	76	-7	0.00	-0.77	0	1.16				
Oxford	89	54	72	76	-4	1.18	0.34	2	1.93				
Water Valley	88	56	72	77	-5	0.00	-0.77	0	0.30				
Extreme/Average	90	49	71	76	-5	0.19	-0.63	1	1.60				
Northeast													
Booneville	87	55	70	76	-6	0.54	-0.30	2	2.00				
Tupelo 2	86	57	72			0.00	0.00	0	4.12				
Pontotoc Exp Stn	85	56	72	77	-5	0.00	-0.89	0	5.57				
Verona	89	58	73	77	-4	0.00	-0.98	0	3.43				
Extreme/Average	89	55	72	76	-4	0.14	-0.73	1	3.78				
Lower Delta													
Belzoni	90	60	75	79	-4	0.49	-0.12	1	4.87				
Moorhead	88	58	74	79	-5	0.00	-0.67	0	1.47				
Rolling Fork	90	58	74	78	-4	0.00	-0.63	0	2.51				
Yazoo City 5NNE	87	58	73	79	-6	1.00	0.36	1	2.13				
Extreme/Average	90	58	74	79	-5	0.37	-0.26	1	3.17				
Central													
Canton 4N	87	57	72	79	-7	0.19	-0.49	1	2.58				
Eupora 2E	85	56	71	76	-5	0.40	-0.41	2	2.13				
Forest 3S	90	54	73	78	-5	0.41	-0.50	1	1.35				
Kosciusko	84	59	72	78	-6	0.46	-0.33	2	4.83				
Winona 5E	87	57	71	74	-3	0.38	-0.42	2	0.38				
Extreme/Average	90	54	72	78	-6	0.37	-0.40	2	3.09				
East-Central													
Aberdeen	86	61	73	77	-4	0.09	-0.68	1	2.40				
Brooksville Exp	89	59	73			0.85	0.01	2	2.60				
Columbus	85	60	74	78	-4	0.00	-0.86	0	1.89				
Macon	86	59	73	78	-5	0.21	-0.64	2	3.73				
State University	87	57	72	77	-5	1.12	0.34	2	5.66				
Extreme/Average	89	57	73	78	-5	0.45	-0.37	1	3.32				
Southwest													
Brookhaven City	87	58	75	78	-3	0.40	-0.58	1	0.70				
Crystal Springs	90	58	74	79	-5	0.12	-0.89	1	2.32				
Natchez	89	56	74	79	-5	2.35	1.44	2	4.95				
Oakley Exp	93	54	74	78	-4	0.01	-0.76	1	2.85				
Port Gibson 1NE	91	53	75	78	-3	0.26	-0.50	1	1.20				
Vicksburg	88	57	74			0.38	0.00	1	2.89				
Woodville 4ESE	89	56	75	79	-4	0.10	-1.12	1	1.22				
Extreme/Average	93	53	74	79	-5	0.52	-0.39	1	3.39				
South-Central													
Collins	96	60	75	78	-3	0.00	-0.97	0	2.50				
Columbia	92	61	77	79	-2	0.88	-0.12	1	3.09				
Monticello	91	60	77	79	-2	0.20	-0.71	1	2.40				
Raleigh 6N	87	56	73			0.16	0.00	2	3.13				
Tylertown 5ESE	89	61	76	79	-3	0.80	-0.18	1	1.94				
Extreme/Average	96	56	76	79	-3	0.41	-0.57	1	2.68				
Southeast													
Hattiesburg	89	63	77	80	-3	0.41	-0.64	2	3.66				
Laurel	88	61	76	79	-3	0.35	-0.65	1	2.41				
Newton Exp	89	57	73	78	-5	0.89	0.05	3	4.10				
Waynesboro 2W	89	63	77	78	-1	3.13	2.15	3	6.91				
Extreme/Average	89	57	76	79	-3	1.20	0.26	2	4.89				
Coastal State													
	96	49	73	78	-5	0.46	-0.37	1	3.10				

DFN = Departure from Normal.